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COUNTRY : Romania

SUBJECT : Ordination of Viorel Trifa
(as Bishop of the Romanian Orthodox
Church in the United States)

ACQUIRED :

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EVALUATION:

(On 26 and 27 April, 1962 in the Romanian Orthodox Church
Togarașca Duhului Sfânt, 723 North Bodine Street, Phila-
delphia, Pennsylvania, Viorel D. Trifa will be ordained
as Bishop of the Romanian Orthodox Church in the United
States by Metropolitan John (Gheodorigovich).

* Washington Comment: Viorel Trifa was formerly an important
leader of the Romanian Iron Guard. In 1935 he was the
President of the Iron Guard Student Center in Chisinau.
During 1940-1941 he was encouraged by Horia Sima (head of
the Iron Guard) to be the ~~main~~ leader of the Iron Guard.

In the book entitled Garda de Fer Spre Reînvierea
României (Rebirth of the Iron Guard in Romania), written
by the late Rev. Stefan Palaghita ~~an~~ Argentine, Trifa
is mentioned as one of the leading Iron Guardists.)

* Washington Comment: Metropolitan John is head of the Auto-
cephalous Ukrainian Church of the United States and Canada.

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FESTIVITĂȚILE HIROTONIRII TEOLOGULUI

VIOREL D. TRIFA

Intru Episcop, Vicar al Episcopiei Ort. Rom. din America

Sâmbătă și Duminică, 26 și 27 Aprilie, 1952

pontificată de către

I. P. S. Mitropolitul Ioan, cu sobor de Episcopi și preoți
In Biserica Noastră Ort. Rom. "Pogorârea Duhului Sfânt," 723 North Bodine St.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

și la Masa Festivă a Sfințirii, ce va urma după slujbă
In sala cea mare de întruniri a Parohiei.

Pr. EUGEN LAZAR, Secretar

Prot. IOAN TRUTZA, Președinte

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